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Acknowledgment is made of the receipt and Applicant's election of Group I, Claims 1-8 filed on 05/01/2006. However, Applicant is not fully responsive to the restriction requirement because Applicant must expressly identify an elected species and identify the claims readable on the elected invention, as set forth in the Office action dated 01/30/2006. Applicant must elect one alkali from claim 2 or 3 (ie. a base or an alkaline buffer, from Claim 2 or one of the carbonates from Claim 3), as Specie A. Applicant must elect a method of obtaining or purifying the extract from claim 8 (ie. further concentrated or purified by evaporation of water or ultrafiltration or recrystallization or combinations thereof), as Specie C. "Applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single species to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. The reply must also identify the claims readable on the elected species, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered non-responsive unless accompanied by an election. Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a)." Applicant must elect one alkali from claim 2 or 3 (ie. a base or an alkaline buffer, from Claim 2 or one of the carbonates from Claim 3), as Specie A. Applicant must elect a method of obtaining or purifying the extract from claim 8 (ie. further concentrated or purified by evaporation of water or ultrafiltration or recrystallization or combinations thereof), as Specie C.

Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, Applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period for reply supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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